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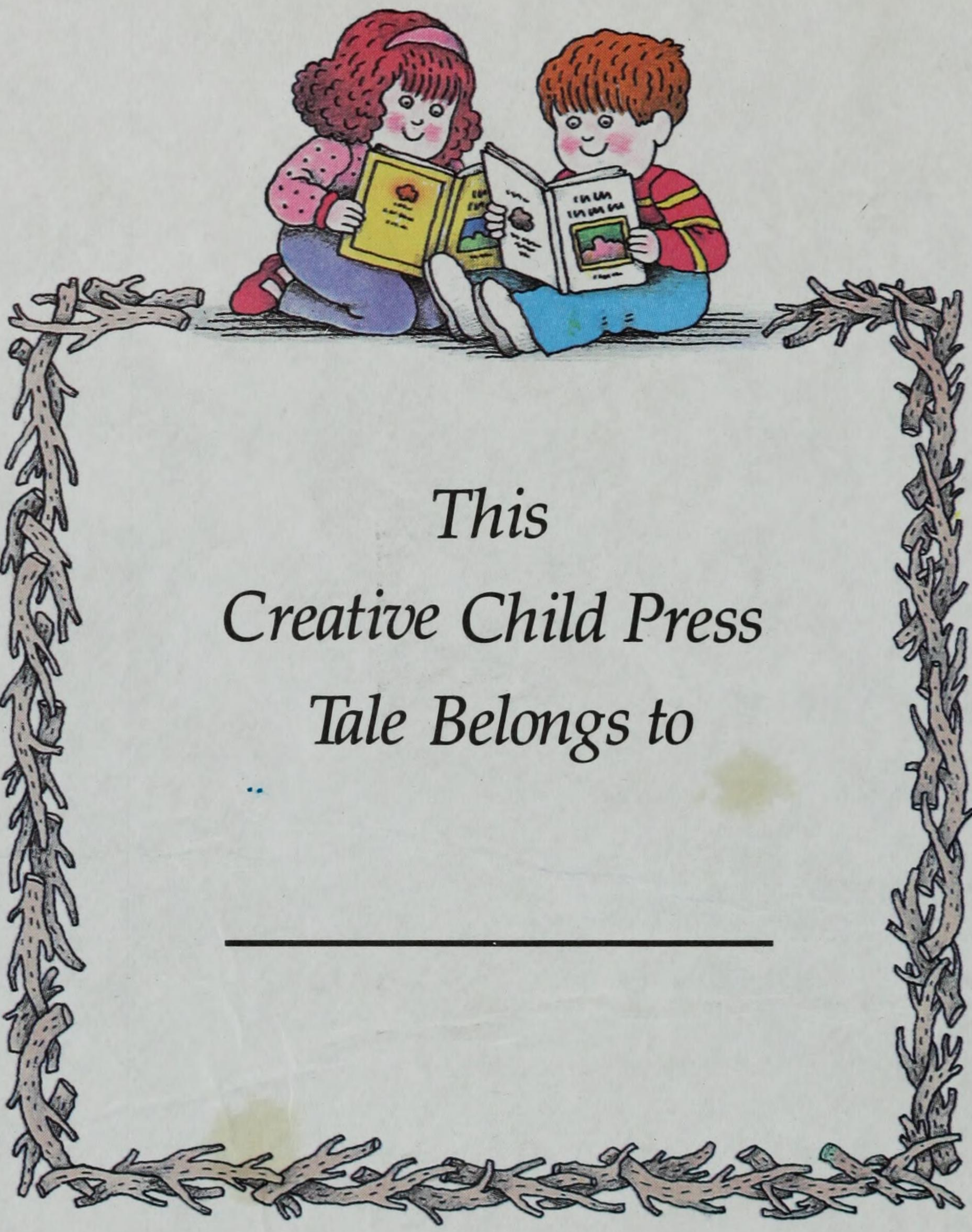

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Tracy and Timmy are twins. They share the same birthday and that happens to be coming up tomorrow! Tracy and Timmy usually share everything, but not today.

"My coloring book is all filled up," Tracy says. "Can I use yours?"

"No," says Timmy. "I'm using it." But Timmy has only two crayons, and they're broken.

"Can I use your crayons?" he asks.

"No, I'm using them," says Tracy. And off she goes to her room.

Tracy is doodling on a big pad.

"This is no fun!" she decides. She wonders what Timmy is doing.

"Maybe I should have been nicer to Timmy," she thinks.

Timmy is trying to color with his broken crayons. But the two colors he has aren't the colors he needs.

"This isn't any fun," he thinks. "Maybe I should have been nicer to Tracy."

Upstairs, Tracy has an idea.

"I know. I'll do something nice for Timmy for our birthday. That'll be a surprise. Maybe dad can help me figure out what to do." Off she goes to look for him.

Meanwhile, Timmy has been thinking too.

"I know. I'll do something super for Tracy for our birthday. Maybe mom can help me surprise Tracy." Off goes Timmy to look for mom.

Dad is in the garage.

"Please help me think of a surprise for Timmy for our birthday." Dad is pleased that Tracy wants to do something nice for her brother. He wants to help, too.

"Let's think about what Timmy really likes," he says.

"I know," says Tracy, "chocolate cupcakes and silver balloons like his friend Skippy had for his birthday."

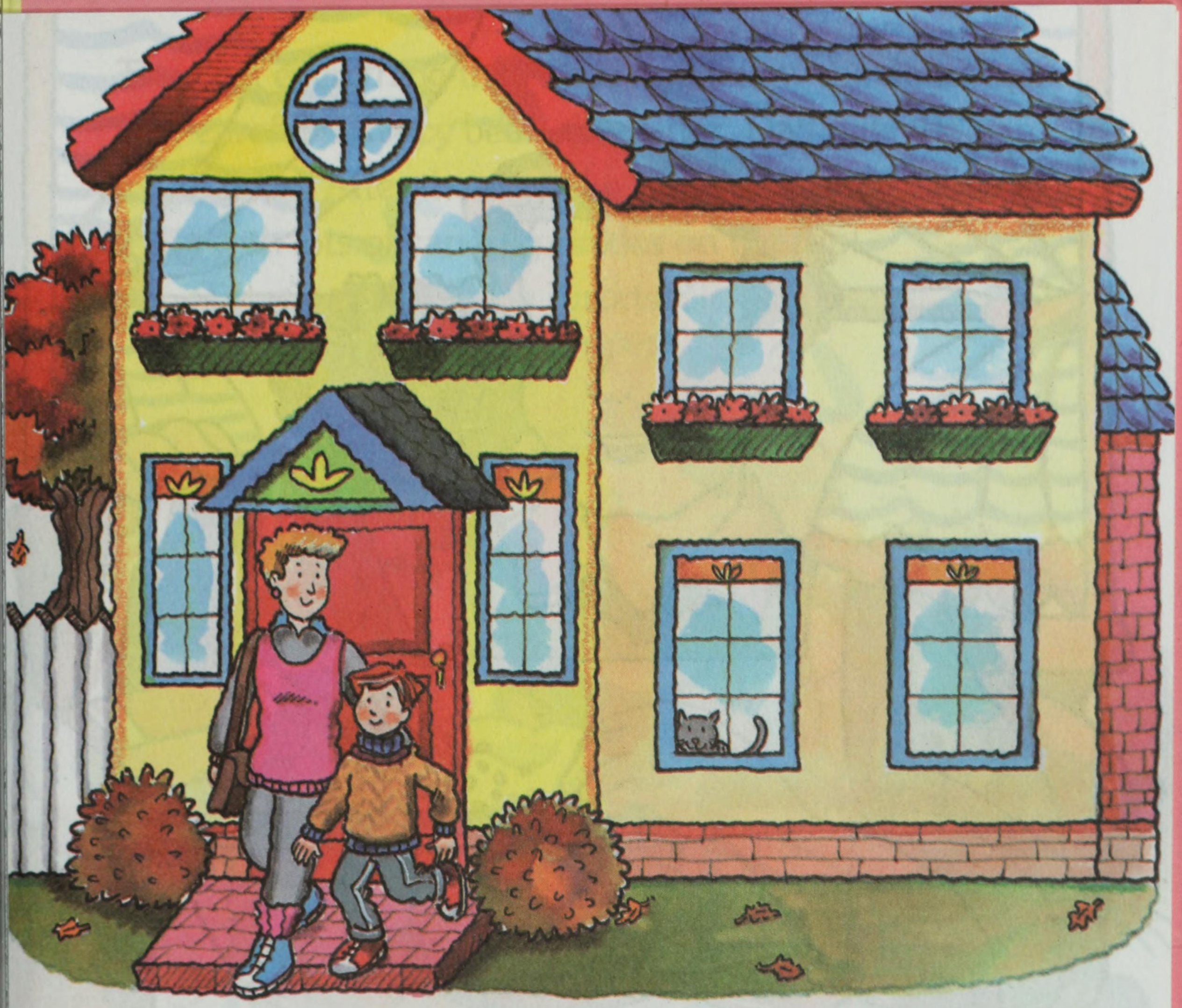
Mom is working at her desk.

"I want to have a nice surprise for Tracy for our birthday," Timmy says.

Mom is happy to help. "What do you think Tracy would really like?" she asks.

"I know!" says Timmy. "A cake with flowers and fancy decorations like Mary Ellen had at her party."

Tracy and dad make their plans. They'll go to the store for the cupcake fixings and the silver balloons. When they get back, dad will have Timmy help mom with her errands. That way, Tracy and dad can bake the cupcakes, and keep it a secret from Timmy.



Mom and Timmy also decide that Timmy will help mom with her errands! That way, they can shop for the cake and decorations, and Tracy won't guess what they're up to.

Tracy and dad are baking Timmy's favorite cup-cakes—double chocolate with candy sprinkles on top.

They get everything they need and follow the directions very carefully. Tracy beats the batter. Dad puts the pan in the oven. After the cupcakes cool off, Tracy will frost them with lots of candy sprinkles on the top!

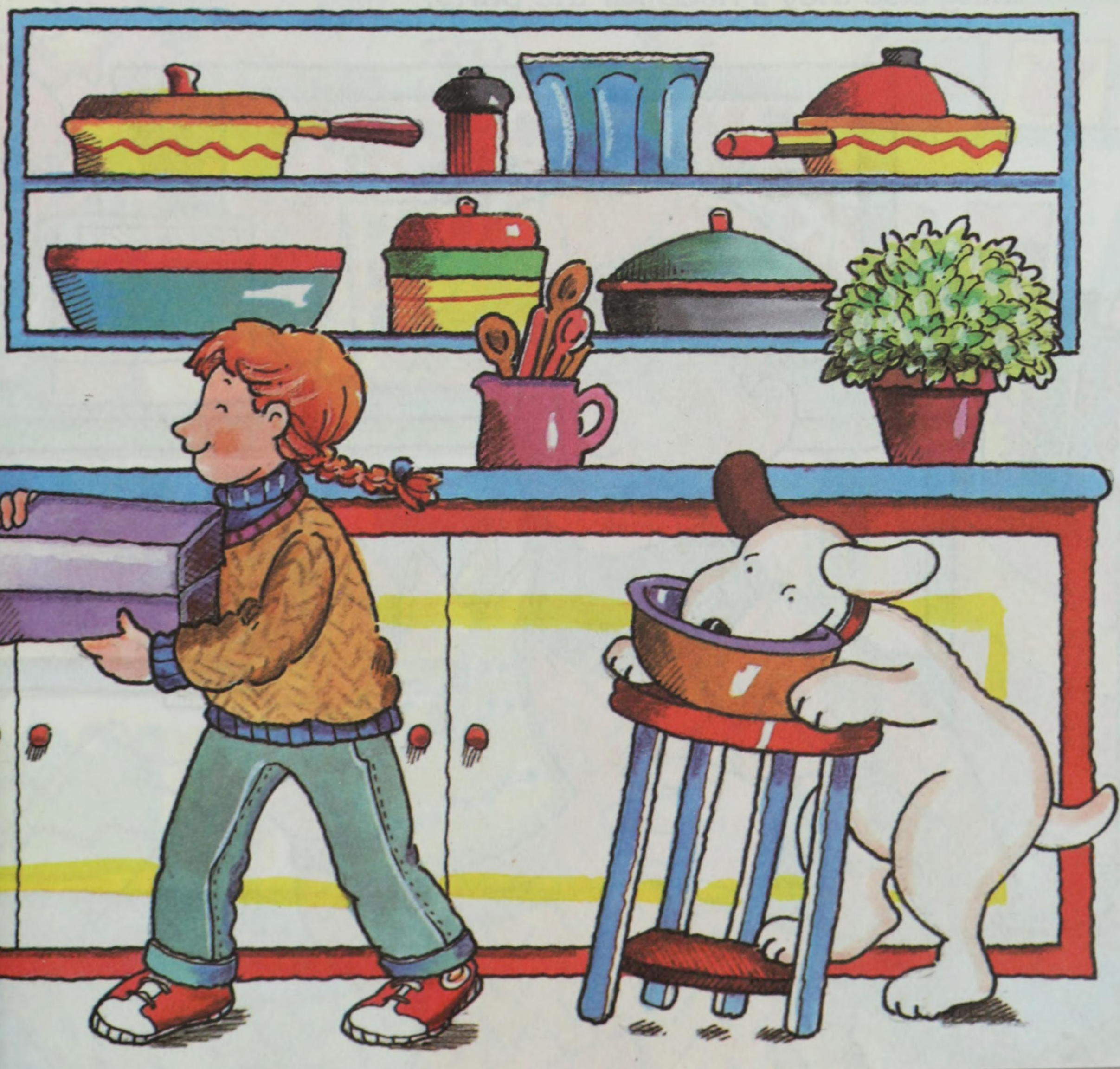
"Timmy will really be surprised!" Tracy says.

Timmy and mom choose a cake at the bakery. The baker decorates it with "Happy Birthday, Tracy" written in pink frosting across the top.

"Tracy will really be surprised!" Timmy says.

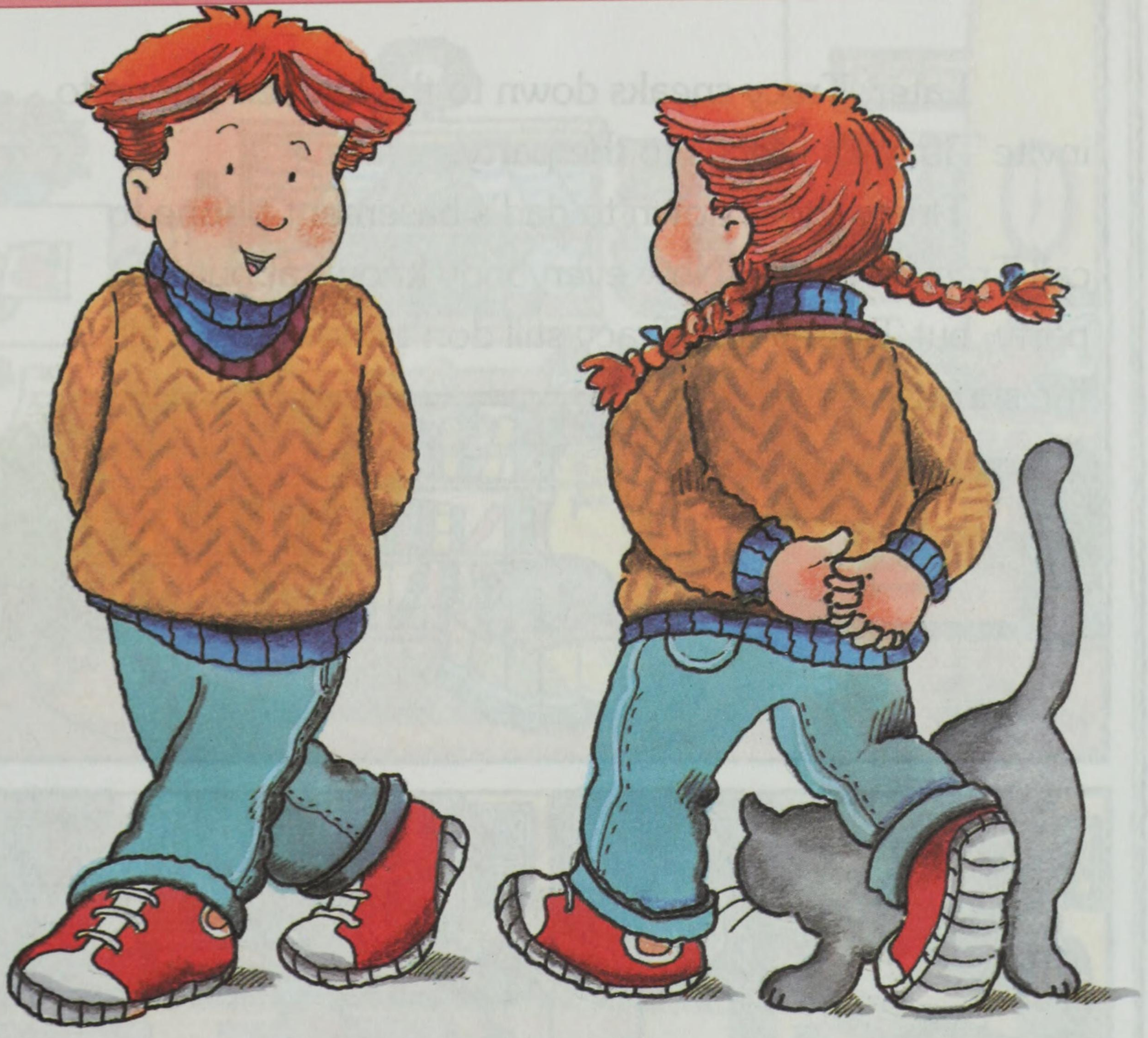
At home, Tracy and dad are hiding the cupcakes and balloons. One balloon has "Happy Birthday, Timmy" written on it.

They clean up quickly and hide all the traces of the party stuff. Even the dog helps by trying to lick the bowl!



At the card store, mom and Timmy are looking at party decorations. Timmy picks out a gold crown with blue sparkles for Tracy. Then they buy favors and everything else they'll need for the party.

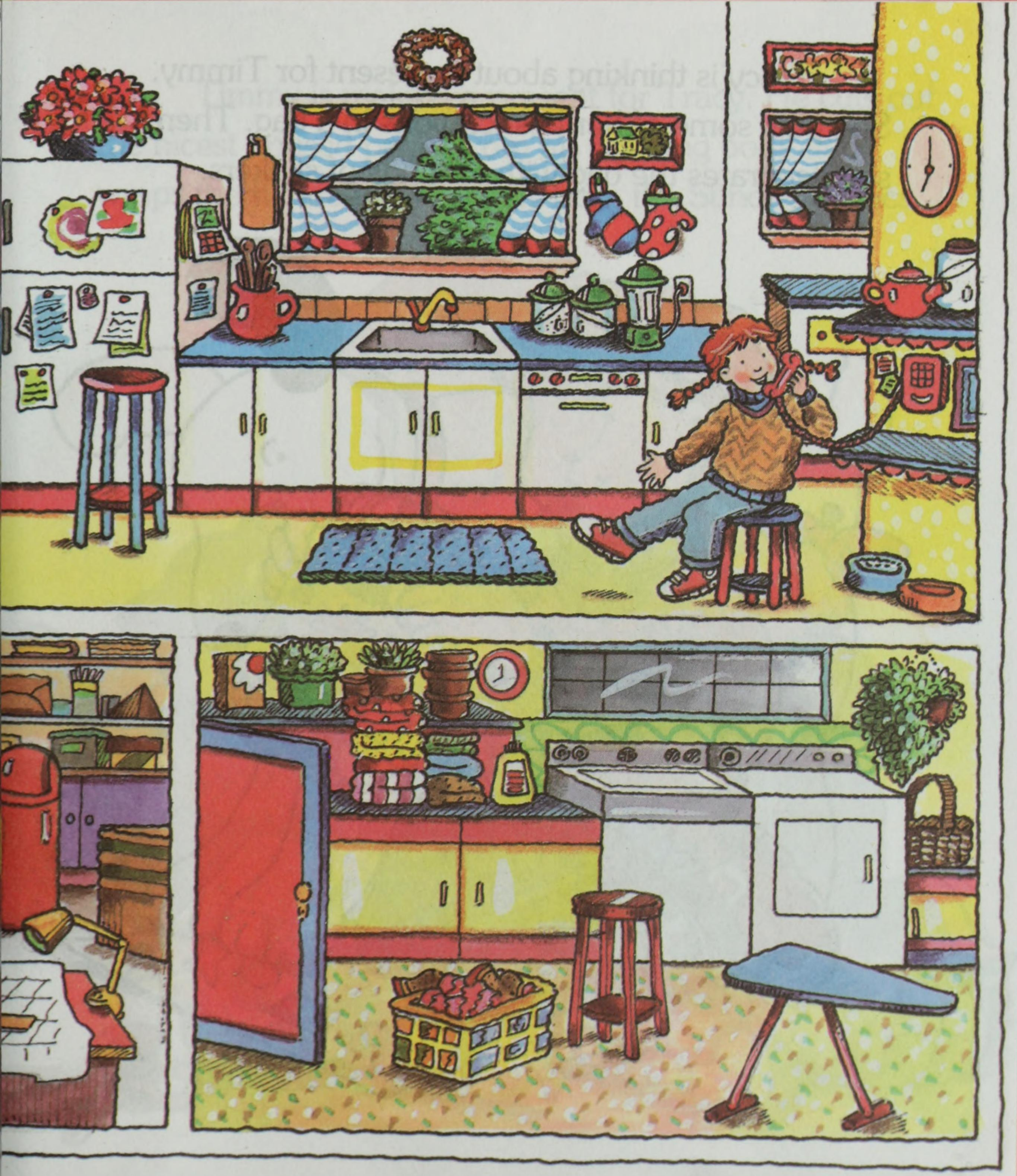
Mom hides the cake box on the top shelf of the hall closet. Timmy hides the stuff from the card store in a big trunk.



Tracy and Timmy pass each other in the hallway.
"What're you doing, Timmy?" asks Tracy.
"Nothing," says Timmy. "What are you doing?"
"Nothing," says Tracy.

Later, Tracy sneaks down to the kitchen phone to invite Timmy's friends to the party.

Timmy goes down to dad's basement phone to call Tracy's friends. Now everybody knows about the party, but Timmy and Tracy still don't know about all the surprises!



Tracy is thinking about a present for Timmy. She puts some of her best crayons in a bag. Then she decorates the bag with all kinds of stickers.

Timmy is making a present for Tracy. He cuts out the nicest unused pages from his coloring book and wraps them carefully in sheets from the Sunday comics.

Happy Birthday Timmy

It's the day of the party at last. Tracy thinks she's going to surprise Timmy. Timmy thinks he's going to surprise Tracy. Instead, they get a double surprise! Here are all their friends and the things they planned for each other!

"This was the best surprise!" says Tracy.

"No, this was the best double surprise!" says Timmy. And everybody agrees it's the best birthday party ever!

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